



Proclamation

Indigenous Peoples' Day

WHEREAS, the City of Brighton recognizes the significance of Indigenous Peoples' Day as an opportunity to honor and celebrate the rich history, diverse cultures, and contributions of indigenous peoples in our community and across the country; and

WHEREAS, indigenous peoples have inhabited Colorado for thousands of years, maintaining their unique traditions, languages, and spiritual practices that continue to enrich our state's cultural tapestry; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brighton acknowledges the lasting impacts of colonization and historical injustices, including forced removals, land dispossession, and the suppression of indigenous languages and cultures; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brighton recognizes and values the many contributions made to technology, medicine, science, philosophy, arts in our society and our community through indigenous peoples' history, culture, knowledge, and labor; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brighton is dedicated to supporting efforts that empower indigenous peoples, amplify their voices, and respect their rights; and

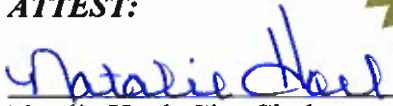
WHEREAS, Indigenous Peoples' Day provides an opportunity for all residents of Brighton to engage in meaningful dialogue, learning, and reflection about the history and contemporary experiences of indigenous peoples, fostering mutual understanding and respect.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gregory Mills, Mayor of the City of Brighton, on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim October 9th, 2023, as Indigenous Peoples' Day and call upon all residents, businesses, schools, and community organizations to join in honoring and recognizing the importance of indigenous peoples' contributions to our community and our nation.


DATED this 3rd day of October 2023



ATTEST:


Natalie Hoel, City Clerk

CITY OF BRIGHTON


Gregory Mills, Mayor
Clint Blackhurst, Mayor Pro Tem
Tom Green
Matt Johnston
Peter Padilla
Jan Pawlowski
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